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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE SUPERVISOR CONTINUES SUPPORT OF LOCAL AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

**SAN BERNARDINO** – Supervisor Josie Gonzales recently awarded mini-grants to five local non-profit after school programs serving students living in the 5<sup>th</sup> District.

This is the fifth year Supervisor Gonzales has conducted her After School Program Mini-Grant Awards, which gives \$10,000 to local non-profit programs. This year's awards, ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,500, will help the selected organizations purchase the supplies they need to provide homework assistance, nutrition services, life skills training, and recreational activities for students grade K through 12.

"I offer this opportunity because we need to support after school options that offer our young people safe, constructive places where they can continue to grow academically and socially," said Supervisor Gonzales.

"The dollars they receive through this mini-grant program are critical to their existence, now more than ever as these programs continue to serve our children during financially lean times," added Gonzales.

This year the following non-profits serving students in and around the cities of Colton, Rialto and San Bernardino will receive funding:

- o The Brightest Star, Inc. (\$2,500)
- o Colton Parks & Recreation Foundation (\$2,000)
- o Hope Through Housing Foundation (\$2,000)
- o Young Visionaries Youth Leadership Academy (\$1,500)
- o Youth Action Project (\$2,000)

The Fifth District includes the unincorporated areas of Bloomington, Muscoy, North Norton, El Rancho Verde, and Arrowhead Farms, the City of Rialto, major portions of the cities of Colton and San Bernardino, and the eastern portion of the City of Fontana.

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